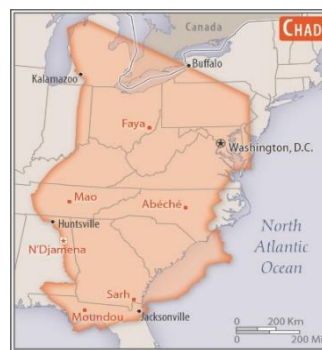




CHAD



GOVERNMENT

Chief of State/Head of Government

President Idriss DEBY Itno, Lt. Gen. (prime minister position eliminated under 2018 constitution)

Government Type

presidential republic

Capital

N'Djamena

Legislature

unicameral National Assembly (188)

Judiciary

Supreme Court (consists of chief justice, 3 chamber presidents, and 12 judges or councilors; divided into 3 chambers); Constitutional Council (consists of 3 judges and 6 jurists)

Ambassador to US

Ambassador Ngote Gali KOUTOU

US Ambassador

Charge d'Affaires Thomas R. GENTON

ECONOMY

Economic Overview

oil provides about 60% of export revenues, while cotton, cattle, livestock, and gum arabic provide the bulk of non-oil export earnings; relies on foreign assistance and foreign capital for most public and private sector investment, but investment is difficult due to limited infrastructure, lack of trained workers, extensive government bureaucracy, and corruption

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$28.62 billion (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$2,300 (2017 est.)

Exports

\$2.46 billion (2017 est.)

partners: US 38.7%, China 16.6%, Netherlands 15.7%, UAE 12.2%, India 6.3% (2017)

Imports

\$2.16 billion (2017 est.)

partners: China 19.9%, Cameroon 17.2%, France 17%, US 5.4%, India 4.9%, Senegal 4.5% (2017)

GEOGRAPHY

Area

Total: 1,284,000 sq km

Land: 1,259,200 sq km

Water: 24,800 sq km

Climate

tropical in south, desert in north

Natural Resources

petroleum, uranium, natron, kaolin, fish (Lake Chad), gold, limestone, sand and gravel, salt

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population

15.8 million (July 2018 est.)

Population Growth

3.23% (2018 est.)

Ethnicity

Sara (Ngambaye/Sara/Madingaye/Mbaye) 30.5%, Kanembu/Bornu/Buduma 9.8%, Arab 9.7%, Wadai/Maba/Masalit/Mimi 7%, Gorane 5.8%, Masa/Musseye/Musgum 4.9%, many others (2014-15 est.)

Language

French (official), Arabic (official), Sara (in south), more than 120 different languages and dialects

Religion

Muslim 52%, Christian 44% (2014-15 est.)

Urbanization

urban population: 23% of total population (2019)

rate of urbanization: 3.88% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

